

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants	:	O'Donnell et al.)	Examiner:
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		BACTERIA)	
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NOTICE OF APPEAL AND
REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FOR THIRD MONTH

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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Primary Examiner's decision dated March 20, 2006, finally rejecting claims 1, 36, 37, 38 and 55-57.

Applicants hereby request an extension of time of three months from the due date of June 20, 2006.

Please charge the fees in the amount of \$1,520, which covers the \$500 cost of the appeal fee and the \$1,020 cost of the extension of time, and any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-1138.

Respectfully submitted,

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